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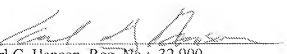
Claims 1-68 and 79-93 have been canceled to facilitate issuance of allowed claims 70-78 and claim 69. Claim 69 had not been indicated as being allowed in the most recent Office Action, but applicants believe that this may have been an oversight. Please note that claim 69 requires, in subpart (b)(3)(ii), a "means for preventing the free end of the flexible flap from adhering to the fluid-permeable ceiling when moisture is present on the ceiling or on the flexible flap." This limitation is similar to the limitation also presented in allowed claim 71 at subpart (c). Accordingly, applicants believe that the Examiner also intended to allow claim 69. If this is not the case, please contact applicants' attorney at the number provided below so that the Examiner and the undersigned can discuss this matter.

New dependent claims 94-99 have been added to this application. Claims 69-78 and 94-99 are now pending in this case.

Although claims 1-68 and 79-93 have been canceled, applicants do not concede the obviousness of the subject matter of those claims and reserve the opportunity to secure allowance of those claims in a continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,

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